
SERIOUS MATTER

The Development of Western Canada May be Greatly Retarded on Account of Inability to Secure Horses for Work on Railway Construction and on the Farm—Fancy

Winnipeg—The question of getting a sufficient supply of horses for carrying on the work planned in the Canadian West for this season is becoming a vital one. Contractors, farmers and dealers have already brought in over 24,000 animals by way of Winnipeg since January 1, but the demand is by no means filled. Prices have climbed to a figure never before equalled in Canada, but it is simply a case of bidding in a short market where there is not enough to go round.

The more prominent dealers in Winnipeg agree that there is a

cided shortage in all classes of work horses. Reports from Ontario and Western Quebec indicate that those fields have been swept clear of animals and still the demand holds more vigorously than ever. The dealers have sent their agents through the eastern territory, and contractors with heavy prairie sections on their hands have also sent agents east for horses. They report that they were able to get a few, but not nearly enough. It was not a question of price, but an actual shortage. Of those they did manage to secure many were scrubs and not

Several westerners have recently given voice to the statement that this shortage will have a tendency to delay the development of the country this season. Contractors will not be able to push the railway lines forward as rapidly as they desire, and in some instances work which was to have been completed this season will of necessity have to be held over till

next year. So too with the farmers. They have figured on breaking a considerable amount of sod, but being unable to get the necessary horses, they must reduce their acreage. Many of the settlers arriving this year from the United States and Great Britain have brought money with them expecting to buy horses on this side. They are unable to do so, or must pay so much for their horses that they are unable to get as many teams as they anticipated so they also are cutting down on the work. The implement men, too, are against the

problem and the demand for steam outfits can not be met in some districts, demonstrating that there is apparently no immediate avenue of escape.

Jos. Lemon, one of the best known horse dealers in Winnipeg, stated that while horses have been scarce for the last two or three years, the scarcity is more in evidence now than ever before. The development in the West has taken place so rapidly, and the country is opening up so fast that the horses are simply not available to fill the demand. Men who can afford to pay fancy prices for horses are to be paying fancy prices for horses. There is a market for anything that looks like a horse, anything that will work

E. W. McLean says that he finds great difficulty in securing horses to fill his orders from customers, and that he has been obliged to pay very high prices. The demand is constant

and seems to be increasing. The price offered have had the tendency of bringing out practically all of the horses which the East can spare. The quotations at present are about as follows: For teams of 3000 pounds up, \$700 to \$800. This is the type most in demand for contractors and for heavy work about the city. Good

The demand for workers has also affected the price of drivers and delivery horses and quotations on all sorts of horseflesh have reached fancy figures. None of those spoken to would suggest a remedy; in fact, they were doubtful about there being one.

It was simply a case of supply and demand, and the supply was inadequate. They could not get horses and the work must wait.

cently in the presence of the vice-president of the U. S., the secretary of the navy and a crowd of 50,000 enthusiasts.

The Florida is built to carry 12 10-inch guns. The band played "The Star Spangled Banner" and the crowd cheered as she was being launched.

Edmonton Will Have Monster Parade

Edmonton, Alta.—Details have been completed for a monster parade here on the day of King Edward's funeral. All military, including 500 soldiers and 2,500 school children, will be in line, and special memorial services will be held, at which a huge orchestra and chorus will assist.

The local Daughters of the Empire have received a wire from Queen

Timber on H. B. R. Line Protected
Ottawa, Ont.—In anticipation of the early construction of the Hudson's Bay railway the forestry branch of the department of the interior has sent out this year, four parties with instructions to make an inspection of

Rumor of Death Was Unfounded.
Cannes, France.—Joseph Chamberlain, the British statesman appears to be much improved in health. He may be seen almost daily strolling

Mr. Chamberlain who has been in ill health for a long time came here on February 21 to recuperate.

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BACK TO THE LAND

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THE HARMLESS COMET

Halley's comet paid the earth a so-called call this week, and "differed" as expressed regret that it had so many calls to make on other planets that it will be 75 years before it will again exchange social courtesies with the earth. No harm of any sort resulted from the call of the comet, except to the reputation of sensationalists, scientists and otherwise.

BURNED TEN SECTIONS

GIRLS CAUSE A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE WEST OF HUTTON.

George Purves returned from the Red Deer river section early in the week and reports that on Monday last a prairie fire swept over ten sections. Some girls were camped a mile west of Hutton. They left their camp early in the morning and went fishing. A small fire started in the brush and spread to the prairie. The girls, clothing, bedding and camp outfit were destroyed by the flames, and probably their horses would have been burned had they not taken them with them on the fishing trip. John Smith organized a fire-fighting party and succeeded in putting out the fire but not till it had burned over ten square miles.

THE NEWS, BASSANO, ALBERTA.

The Store CALLAGHER BROS. of Quality

Furniture Shoes Carpets

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Amherst Shoe

the working man's and homestead's shoe.

OUR QUEEN QUALITY

for the ladies needs or comfort. It's "natural shape" positive shape as the ankle and body give a "fit" that is both pleasing and satisfying.

Dry Goods

Clothing and Furnishings Up-to-Date In all Departments

Bedding

BASSANO, ALBERTA.

Second Avenue.

W. B. CAMERON

NOTARY PUBLIC CONVEYANCING

A few desirable town lots for sale, also some choice quarter sections from 15 to 20 miles from C. P. R. main line.

News Office, BASSANO, ALBERTA.

KEYSTONE Barber Shop

Pool Room And Bowling Alleys
Hot and Cold Baths
MUSIC ALL THE TIME
FRED WHEATLEY, Prop.

ANEAT AND COSEY PLACE

THE C. P. DINING ROOM AND LUNCH COUNTER THOROUGHLY REFITTED.

The C. P. dining room and lunch counter has been thoroughly renovated, and refitted by B. R. Hanston, its popular "miser host," announces that it will hereafter be open night and day. The dining room has been lengthened 14 feet, which gives it a total length of 28 feet five inches. A counter, with ornamental shelves behind it, for the storage of plates and glasses, has been added to the dining room furniture. A California French range of 2 1/2 ft. 8 in., a 50-gallon water tank and a new scrap table have been added to the kitchen furniture. The kitchen is neat, clean and wholesome. The interior of the entire establishment has been newly papered and painted, while the exterior has been painted a light green with dark green trimmings. The improvements have added considerably to the attractiveness of the place.

Hereafter dinner and supper will be served for 25 cents while breakfast and meals outside of regular hours will be served under the short order plan. The water from the well of this establishment is famous for its excellent quality.

GIVEN A GOOD FAREWELL

MR. HAMES AND WIFE HONORED BY THE RESIDENTS OF BRILE.

The Eye-Witness of Brile, Manitoba, of May 2d has the following to say of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hames, who lately became residents of Bassano: "Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hames left yesterday for Bassano, Alta., where Mr. Hames will take up law. Before leaving they were tendered farewell by friends in the Methodist church in which they were most valued workers and from which they will be greatly missed. On Friday evening the Masonic brethren bid farewell to Mr. Hames and presented him with a reminder of his mother lodge. Brile citizens regret to lose residents like Mr. and Mrs. Hames, who were always free to contribute of their talents for everything tending to the uplift of the community and these talents in musical, literary, social and sport circles we feel sure will be as freely given in their western home."

BUYS FIRE EXTINGUISHER

A SIXTY-GALLON ENGINE BOUGHT OF THE EVER-READY TYPE.

A special meeting of the council was held on Thursday evening principally for considering fire protection, and a 60-gallon chemical fire engine was purchased and other business transacted. W. B. Playfair, chairman, and F. W. Berry and Herbert S. Johnson, council members, were in attendance.

Communications were read from several agents and dealers in chemical fire extinguishers from Calgary, Winnipeg, Brandon and Montreal, offering their wares at various prices and at different terms. After the communications had all been read Councilman Johnson said that he favored four small 20-gallon extinguishers instead of one of 60-gallons, as the smaller ones could be kept in store in different portions of the town and where it was necessary for fire, he would be able to get a fire instead of one, which would be the

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FARMERS' ATTENTION!

Alberta Provincial Exhibition. Offer Premiums to Best Acre Yield. We take it for granted that every one in the Bow Valley is interested in the development of the soil and the agricultural work. A thing that will save very much to the advertiser that the Bow Valley will receive, might be taken up by a great many farmers in the Irrigation Block. The Alberta Provincial Exhibition is offering a special premium for acre yields of the different grains in Alberta. The Fair Association pay the freight on the exhibits to and from the exhibition so that those who exhibit in this way will not be looking but the little time it takes to get their exhibit ready. It is proposed to have an exhibit of the actual grain grown on an acre. These exhibits will be piled up loose in an immense pavilion and will be scored and judged by a competent grain judge. The first prize is \$100 and the other numerous prizes range accordingly. It would seem very desirable for as many farmers as possible in the Bow Valley to have an exhibit on hand at Calgary for the Fair. It may readily be imagined how those who are looking for land in this country will naturally be drawn to those localities where the best prize grain is grown. If those who desire further particulars regarding this matter will drop a line to E. L. Richardson, manager of the Alberta Provincial Fair Association, Calgary, they will receive full information on the subject.

BERRY CREEK NOTES

Seeding is all practically done in this neighborhood. O. E. Burdick has a fine showing of oats in his field and things are in a promising condition. Evergreen seems satisfied, except those who have not been fortunate enough to secure locations in the Irrigation Block. Cancellations are numerous as outsiders are anxious to secure land in townships 22-23 there are only about six quarter sections available for casualization. The soil in the Berry Creek district is chocolate colored and black loam with a clay subsoil. Water has been obtained here at the following depths: On W. 2, A. 2, Anderson's place at 12 feet, three feet of water in well on Jensen Schryver's place at 12 feet, three feet of water, on W. 2, A. 2, Anderson's place at 12 feet, 8 feet of water; on Aldrich place at 10 feet, 4 feet of water; on A. McChesney's place at 20 feet, five feet of water. Fred Mudge has been rounding up his horses this week. A meeting of the rangers was held recently with a view to opening a school firewater school district. A number of Berry Creek, I was unanimously resolved that no one attempt to locate a school in either than the proposed site four miles away in the south-west quarter of township 22, range 12, section 36. The rangers were unanimous in their decision, while the trustees are A. Verbeke, A. E. Bagnall and G. H. Clark.

COURT REPORT FOR HAULAGE

Hobbs & McLean. Will be kept for Balance of Year.

Hobbs & McLean, the well known livestock of this city, have been awarded a contract for several thousand dollars worth of haulage for Archibald & Co. The latter firm has secured the contract for the current work for the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Co. between Lacombe and Glendon on its ditches and pipelines. They have been engaged for the remainder of the year and already several have been put to work.

A Fine Lot of Percherons

Sixteen head of Percheron mares passed through here in a stock car Sunday, consigned to George Lane, of Calgary, one of the owners of the horse. They came direct from France, and are a fine lot of equines being from two to three years old, of large size for their age and of good shape. They stood the trip well and showed no signs of hard usage, and it was evident that they were properly looked after both on the ocean and on the railroad.



Syndicate of Canadian Northwest Land

Any person who is the sole holder of a family, or any male over 18 years old may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made by any agent, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, or brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may subdivide nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres fully owned and occupied by him or his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside an Anderson's Place. Price, \$100 per acre. DUTIES—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to own homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead rights and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchase homestead in certain districts. Price, \$200 per acre. DUTIES—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

Around The Town

Mitch Cows for sale. H. S. Johnson, C. D. Lommendau a business trip to Calgary during the week.

Fred Whalley spent a few days of the present week in Calgary.

The Keystone baths are now in operation.

When in town go to Bob's for shoes, a magazine or a daily paper. Bond & Bond's bowling alley.

T. T. Kiddell arrived in town early in the week from his homestead near Rosetown.

B. J. Jackson, of Calgary, representing the Peabody Co., was in town for a few days early in the week.

H. S. Johnson has just received car of good, round Ontario potatoes, which he is selling cheap for cash.

C. L. Douglas was in town on Sunday from his ranch on the Red Deer river.

DON'T FORGET

Don't fail to see Paris & Head's vaudeville company in Prince's hall on Friday, May 27th. Their show is clean, big dance after the show.

Dr. G. R. Johnson, a C. P. R. physician, was in town on Sunday and made his headquarters at the Hotel Alberta.

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George Travis, an employee of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Georgian Bay, and worshipful master of the Georgian Bay lodge, K. P. of A. 4, was in town a few days since on a visit to J. C. Lee.

The preparations for the Old Times' dance, on May 26th, continue and it promises to be a well attended and enjoyable affair. Everyone is invited to attend as it is the Old Times' treat.

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A tennis club is in process of formation here. An order has been sent to Calgary to have tennis balls, markers, nets, etc., and when they arrive a meeting will be held to organize the club by the election of officers.

Good progress is being made with the laying of the sidewalks, and within ten days the task will be finished. They constitute an improvement which is well worth the cost incurred as everyone enjoys the change from walking in the street dust to the clean sidewalks.

The Bassano Sign Co. recently painted a sign on the east side of Bond & Berry's store, which is a creditable piece of work. The same company did all of the painting and decorating on the interior and exterior of the same store and it speaks for itself in most eloquent tones.

The Bassano football team has accepted the challenge of the Glendon team, and the 24th of May has been settled on as the date for the game which will be played in Glendon.

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A. Forchster, chief engineer for the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Co., was here on Friday and Saturday of last week and was a guest at the Hotel Alberta.

C. R. Young, travelling representative of W. R. Johnston Co., of Toronto spent Sunday here as the guest of his brother, D. J. Young, of the Bassano Clothing Co.

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